

REMARKS

The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and Allowance of Claims 1 and 3-10 in view of the following.

35 U.S.C. § 251 REJECTIONS

Claims 1 and 3-10 were rejected under Section 151 as being based on a defective reissue declaration. A proper reissue declaration, Petition with supporting Declaration and fees are submitted herewith.

Applicants therefore respectfully request that the rejection of claims 1 and 3-10 on this ground be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 and 3-20 remain pending in this case.

Claim 2 has been cancelled.

Claims 11-20 have been deemed allowable.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of Claims 1 and 3-10. If the Examiner should feel that any issue remains as to the allowability of these claims, or that a conference might expedite allowance of the claims, the Examiner is asked to telephone the undersigned attorney.

Applicant intends this to be a complete response. Other than the Petition Fee of \$200 which is authorized to be charged to Deposit Account number 19-1453 (our file Amtex 101-881) no fee is believed due; however if any additional fee is due, please also charge the additional fee to deposit account number 19-1453 (File No. Amtex 101-881).

Respectfully submitted,

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